



# GOULDSBORO NEWSLETTER



DECEMBER 2011

*The town office will be closed at noontime on Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> and all day Monday, December 26<sup>th</sup>.*

## SELECTMEN/TOWN MANAGER

We appreciate the incredible Veterans of our extended community (Gouldsboro and Winter Harbor) and are so happy we were able to show our thanks. The Veteran's Day Dinner included more than sixty attendees sharing in the celebration of our veterans. The participation of our local scouts, their parents and scout leaders made the day even more meaningful. They sang songs, made placemats,.....and added special joy to the occasion. The Recreation Committee, Winter Harbor IGA, Mc's Market, Young's Market and Huhtamaki Inc., donated food, drinks and supplies. Many thanks to Roni Saul, Maureen Hall, Cindy Lowe, Norma Murray, Thoma Watson, Ben Newman, Mert Chipman, Layne Weir, Barbara McLeave, Gary Grovogel, Glenn and Jeanine Grant, Brenda Clough and Rocky Stenger for their participation and help (from peeling potatoes to ordering food).

The Thanksgiving Eve storm dumped over ten inches of snow in many places in Gouldsboro. As a result of the competitive bid process, the contractors (Roland and Deb Robinson) who were awarded the bid are new to our community. As we called them with concerns, the drivers responded quickly to the places that needed attention or had been missed. The Robinsons are dedicated and will strive to bring us quality services in the future for our community safety. Since Gouldsboro has a considerable amount of roads (over 50 miles) it is difficult to be in every part of the community at once. Thank you for your patience and understanding through the transition of this service.

Our community has been awarded a federal grant for the design and planning of sidewalks through Prospect Harbor. The federal grant of \$35,000 is contingent upon a local match of 20%. The Dorcas Library has committed to a contribution of \$7,000 (20% match) to encourage the acceptance of this portion of the grant. The approved project scope is expected to connect the school road entrance to the library and eventually running as far as the post office; subject to funding. The final cost of the project cannot be determined until the design portion has been completed. At this time, MDOT estimates the project to be a maximum of an additional \$265,000 and would also require a 20% (\$53,000) local match. We expect to review this information and vote whether or not to accept the design grant at our next meeting of December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM at the town office. The final decision of whether to build and fund a sidewalk will be brought to the voters in June at the annual town meeting.

THE TRANSFER STATION WILL BE OPEN 12/25/2011 and 1/1/2012 from 10:00AM to 4:00PM.

*Special thanks to Peter and Stephanie McKenzie for their generous gifts of turkey baskets to help twenty families enjoy Thanksgiving in Gouldsboro.*

## CODE ENFORCEMENT

Permit Activity from 11/03 to 11/28/2011



|                     |                               |                |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Seaside Partners    | 44 Corea Road & 75 Corea Road | Demolition     |
| E. Demmons          | 39 Eagle View Road            | Repair         |
| Corea Lobster Co-op | 16 Gibbs Road                 | Ways           |
| Mandella Farms      | 46 Youngs Farm Road           | Barn           |
| D. Wink             | 1 Clark Point                 | Enclose Porch  |
| D. Emonds           | 1037 Route One                | Roof Over Deck |
| J. Moon             | 19 Meadow Road                | Shed           |

## TOWN CLERK

\*\*All dogs must be registered by December 31<sup>st</sup>. \*\*Boat registrations and hunting and fishing licenses for 2012 are now available. \*\*Half-price park passes will be on sale in December for \$20. \*\*2011 Documented boat excise tax must be paid by the end of December in order to avoid a lien.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

The National Prescription Take Back Day held on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011 resulted in 377,086 pounds (188.5 tons) of unwanted or expired medications for safe and proper disposal. Maine ranked #1 in New England with 14,140 pounds and #6 in the US. The Gouldsboro Police Department would like to thank those who participated in the recent collection day and remind everyone they can continue to drop these items off at the Gouldsboro Police Department.

## SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

The Transfer Station is now processing used and damaged lobster traps for metal recovery. In order to crush the traps, the bricks MUST be removed before delivery to the Transfer Station.

## HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:30PM in the former Methodist Church at 88 Old Route One, the Sumner High School Music Department (Lisa Blanchette, Director) will present a Holiday Musical Program for the Gouldsboro Historical Society. All donations collected will benefit the Sumner H.S. Music Program. Everyone is invited. Light refreshments will be available. FMI call 963-4076.

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### WINTER LIGHTS FESTIVAL

The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Lights Festival will be held between 2:00 and 5:00PM on Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at the Prospect Harbor Town Pier. The public (children and adults), is invited. Fish chowder, hot chocolate, hot cider and coffee will be provided free of charge. All you have to bring is plenty of holiday cheer and if possible, some baked goodies to share. Come prepared to visit with your friends and neighbors and sing Christmas carols beside a blazing, cozy bonfire. Santa and Mrs. Claus will arrive by lobster boat to distribute gifts to the children. FMI 963-7575.

### RSU 24 REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

History Note: "ANNUAL REPORT...Gouldsboro, Maine, January 15, 1951" "This report is being prepared at a time when world conditions are very unstable. Locally, jobs for all aren't too plentiful, money is scarce and taxes are on the upswing. It is a time for careful planning and prudent spending – now, and for a long time to come. During this period of frugal living, children will continue to come along and schools must be maintained – even improved, if we are to make any progress at all. But how? Well, it is a matter of more neighborliness and making the most of what we have. In other words, towns as well as people can pull together for their common good." R.H. Haskins, Superintendent

### DORCAS LIBRARY

Free computer help session-drop in Monday, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM if you have computer questions or need help. CALLING FOR A VOLUNTEER- We need someone to head up our adult "Movie Night" events. The library has the equipment and a license. Interested?? Call Linda at 963-2991. Please note the library will be closed on Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>.

### HARDYS FRIENDS

Thank you to the generous managers and patrons of Mc's Market, Young's Market, Salty Dog Gallery, and the Ashville Redemption Center for supporting Hardy's Friends through their canister collections and bottle redemption account. Hardy's Friends is truly a local effort, and we so appreciate their enthusiasm and willingness to help.

### LAST FRIDAY COFFEEHOUSE

Friday, December 30<sup>th</sup> : Winter Harbor -Björn & Jay Peterson - Guitar, Violin, & Vocals - From Swing to Honky-Tonk to Jazz-Last Friday Coffeehouse in Hammond Hall, presented by Schoodic Arts for All. 7:30PM. Suggested donation for this event is \$10 - Kids under 12 admitted free - Great desserts!! No reservations, doors open at 6:30PM. For further info, call 963-7670, 963-2569, or go to [www.schoodicartsforall.org](http://www.schoodicartsforall.org).

### ATTENTION SUMNER ALUMNI

Dust off your sneakers and get ready to hit the Sumner Gym !! February 4th, 2012 Sumner Boosters & Sumner's Community Organization will hold the First Annual Alumni Basketball Games. We need men and women players from the 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's and 00's. We are also looking for alumni band members to play the old school song and maybe "Eye of the Tiger". Call now to sign up your team. Klair Eckenroad Moshier 963-2264, Lori Stanley Joy 963-6018, or Wayne Newenham 460-4483. Sign up by January 15th. All proceeds will go toward the purchase of a new sound system for the gym and stage. EMT on site and oxygen provided!!!!

### EXERCISE CLASS

A beginning Tai Chi class will be starting up Tuesday, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>, at the Winter Harbor Masonic Hall located across from the former Peninsula School. Classes are free. We will be learning the Ying Style this winter with focus on correct breathing and balance. FMI Heidi Eagleton at 963-7239.

#### \*\*\*\*\*RECYCLING NOTE\*\*\*\*\*

Important reminder—Coastal Recycling will not take Christmas Wrapping paper  
PLEASE DO NOT PUT ANY IN YOUR RECYLING---thank you.

RECYCLING IS PICKED UP ON WEDNESDAY  
TRASH IS PICKED UP ON THURSDAY, BOTH MUST BE CURBSIDE BY 7:00AM

### DECEMBER PROGRAMS AT SERC

**Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup> from 11:30AM – 1:00PM - SERC-** introduces a new program for winter – **The Brown Bag Lunch Series**. Bring your lunch to Moore Auditorium for a social gathering and discussion-the guest speaker will be Seth Benz, who has been leading programs at SERC and teaching in the SEA program. The topic is Birds - who lives here, seasonal changes, and historical perspectives. SERC will provide hot and cold drinks. **Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup> from 3:30PM to 7:30PM, Celebrate the Solstice at SERC.** The celebration is a few days early with a bonfire, outdoor activities and a pot luck dinner. Drinks, plates and utensils will be provided, please bring a dish to share with a crowd. Family friendly outdoor activities begin at 3:30PM, the potluck at 5:00PM and a bonfire with s'mores and hot cider will end the "not quite shortest" day of the year. All events begin at the Moore Auditorium. **Call for SERC Volunteers-**The Schoodic Education and Research Center, SERC Institute and Acadia National Park are looking for volunteers to staff the new gatehouse at the entrance to SERC. It's a new SERC, a new gatehouse, and a new program. The gatehouse will serve as the welcome center for SERC until the Rockefeller Building is completed and will be open year round. We need people who can volunteer to greet visitors, answer questions, and give directions. Training is ongoing. Call SERC at 288-1310 for additional information.

## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS & MEETINGS (DECEMBER 2011)**

|           |                  |                                                      |                |
|-----------|------------------|------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Monday    | 5 <sup>th</sup>  | Computer Assistance Available at the Dorcas Library  | 6:00PM         |
| Tuesday   | 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Planning Board – Town Office                         | 6:00 PM        |
| Tuesday   | 6 <sup>th</sup>  | RSU Board First Meeting – Sumner Memorial HS         | 6:30 PM        |
| Thursday  | 8 <sup>th</sup>  | Selectmen's Meeting – Town Office                    | 5:30 PM        |
| Saturday  | 10 <sup>th</sup> | Holiday Musical- Historical Society-88 Old Route One | 7:30PM         |
| Wednesday | 14 <sup>th</sup> | Shellfish Meeting – Town Office                      | 7:00PM         |
| Saturday  | 17 <sup>th</sup> | Winter Lights Festival –Prospect Harbor Town Pier    | 2:00-5:00PM    |
| Sunday    | 18 <sup>th</sup> | Celebrate the Solstice at SERC                       | 3:30 – 7:30PM  |
| Tuesday   | 20 <sup>th</sup> | Planning Board – Town Office                         | 6:00 PM        |
| Tuesday   | 20 <sup>th</sup> | RSU Board Regular Meeting – Ellsworth HS             | 6:30 PM        |
| Thursday  | 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Selectmen's Meeting – Town Office                    | 5:30PM         |
| Friday    | 23 <sup>rd</sup> | <b>Town Office Closing at NOON</b>                   |                |
| Sunday    | 25 <sup>th</sup> | Transfer Station OPEN                                | 10:00-4:00PM   |
| Monday    | 26 <sup>th</sup> | Town Office Closed                                   | All Day        |
| Friday    | 30 <sup>th</sup> | Last Friday Coffee House – Hammond Hall              | 7:30PM         |
| Sunday    | 1 <sup>st</sup>  | Transfer Station OPEN                                | 10:00 – 4:00PM |
| Monday    | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Town Office Closed                                   | All Day        |